AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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1. (Currently amended): A data processing system input pointing device comprising:

a single control device included within said input pointing device; [[~~and~~]]

said single control device for controlling an audio output of said data processing system in response to a movement of said control device;[[.]]

said control device capable of being depressed and moved forward; and

means for fast forwarding through a current audio selection while said control device is depressed while simultaneously being moved forward.

2. (Original): The device according to claim 1, wherein said control device further comprises an audio wheel.

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3. (Original): The device according to claim 1, further comprising:

said control device capable of being moved forward; and

means for increasing a volume of said audio output in proportion to an amount said control device is moved forward.

4. (Original): The device according to claim 1, further comprising:

said control device capable of being moved backward; and

means for decreasing a volume of said audio output in proportion to an amount said control device is moved forward.

5. (Original): The device according to claim 1, further comprising:

said control device capable of being depressed; and

means for toggling a mute of said audio output in response to said control device being depressed twice in quick succession.

Claim 6: (Canceled).

7. (Currently amended): A data processing system input pointing device comprising:

a single control device included within said input pointing device;

said single control device for controlling an audio output of said data processing system in response to a movement of said control device;

~~The device according to claim 1, further comprising:~~

said control device capable of being depressed and moved backward; and

means for rewinding through a current audio selection while said control device is depressed while simultaneously being moved backward.

8. (Original): The device according to claim 1, wherein said input pointing device is a mouse.

9. (Original): The device according to claim 1, wherein said control device is an audio wheel included on a side of said input pointing device.

10. (Currently amended): A mouse for use in a data processing system, said mouse comprising:

a single audio wheel included on a side of said mouse; [[~~and~~]]

said audio wheel for controlling said audio output of said data processing system in response to a movement of said audio wheel; and[[,]]

said single audio wheel capable of increasing a volume, decreasing said volume, toggling a mute of said volume, fast forwarding through a current audio selection, and rewinding through said current audio selection.

Claim 11: (Canceled).

12. (Currently amended): A method in a data processing system comprising the steps of:

providing an input pointing device;

including an audio control device on said input pointing device; [[~~and~~]]

controlling an audio output of said data processing system in response to a movement of said audio control device;[[,]]

depressing while simultaneously moving said audio control device forward; and

fast forwarding through a current audio selection while said audio control device is depressed and simultaneously moved forward.

13. (Original): The method according to claim 12, further comprising the steps of:

moving said audio control device forward; and

increasing a volume of said audio output in proportion to an amount said audio control device is moved forward.

14. (Original): The method according to claim 12, further comprising:

moving said audio control device backward; and

decreasing a volume of said audio output in proportion to an amount said audio control device is moved forward.

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15. (Original): The method according to claim 12, further comprising:

depressing said audio control device; and

toggling a mute of said audio output in response to said audio control device being depressed twice in quick succession.

Claim 16: (Canceled).

17. (Currently amended): A method in a data processing system comprising the steps of:

providing an input pointing device;

including an audio control device on said input pointing device;

controlling an audio output of said data processing system in response to a movement of said audio control device;

~~The method according to claim 12, further comprising:~~

depressing while simultaneously moving said audio control device backward; and

means for rewinding through a current audio selection while said audio control device is depressed and simultaneously moved backward.

18. (Original): A method in a data processing system comprising the steps of:

providing an input pointing device;

including a single audio wheel on a side said input pointing device; and

controlling a volume, toggling of a mute of said volume, fast forwarding through a current audio selection, and rewinding through said current audio selection utilizing said single audio wheel.

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